GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
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RAJIV GANDHI GRAMEEN VIDYUTIKARAN YOJANA
Badiga Shri Ramakrishna;Bhagora Shri Mahavir;Budholiya Shri Rajnarayan;Jindal Shri Naveen;Kaushal Shri Raghuvir Singh;Mahto Shri Tek Lal;Shakya Shri Raghuraj Singh;Singh Shri Chandrabhan Bhaiya

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages electrified under the Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana and the expenditure incurred thereon during each of the last two years, State-wise;

(b) the target set for implementation of the Yojana and achievements made during the said period;

(c) whether the Government has formulated any special scheme for hundred per cent implementation of the Yojana in every State;

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the role of Village Panchayats in this regard;

(e) whether any subsidy is being provided to the State Governments to give electricity connections to Below Poverty Line (BPL) house-holds under the Yojana; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) : The number of villages electrified under Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana in 2005-06 and 2006-07 as on 23.2.2007 is at Annexe-I. The Ministry of Power has, as on 23.2.2007, released capital subsidy of Rs.3285.75 crore. The amount disbursed during the said period under Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana is at Annexe-II.

(b) : The year-wise targets and achievements for village electrification since the launch of the programme are given as under:

Sl.No.	Year	Target (No. of villages electrified)	Achievement
1.	2005-06	10,000	9,819
2.	2006-07	40,000	20,743 (uptil 23.2.2007)
Total		50,000	30,562

(c) & (d) : Yes, Sir.

For electrification of all the un-electrified villages as also to provide access of electricity to all the rural households in the country, Government of India had launched Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY) in April 2005. Under this programme Panchayat Institutions would be associated in the management of rural distribution through franchisees. The salient features of RGGVY are given as under : -

States must make adequate arrangements for supply of electricity and there should be no discrimination in the hours of supply between rural and urban households.
Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) is the nodal agency for Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana.
The Panchayat Institution has an important role of overseeing in advisory capacity, the delivery of service by the franchisees according to their identified responsibilities
They can also take on responsibility of franchisees as and when they have developed to the extent that they can undertake contractual obligations.
Secondly, a Panchayat has to give a certificate that the village is electrified once the same has been achieved as per the definition of village electrification.

(e) & (f) : Yes Sir. RGGVY envisages providing 100% capital subsidy to the State Govts. for electrification of un-electrified Below Poverty Line (BPL) households as per norms of Kutir Jyoti Programme. The State Govts. are provided capital subsidy @ Rs.1500 per BPL household for electricity connection.